



Shoreline Master Program Public Forums

City of Burien

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Time and Location

The City of Burien will hold two public forums on proposed revisions to the City's Shoreline Master Program (SMP). Both forums will be held at the Burien Library/City Hall, 400 SW 152nd Street, in the 1st Floor Meeting Room beginning at 7:00 p.m. Information about each forum is described below.

June 14, 2010 7:00 p.m. Forum #1: Shoreline Science

A panel of scientists and biologists will present information about the health and ecology of Puget Sound and Lake Burien. Panelists will discuss what actions can be taken to ensure the resource is protected and enhanced. Following the presentations, the audience is invited to participate in a facilitated question and answer session with the panelists and the Burien City Council, and identify issues for discussion at the 2nd forum.

June 21, 2010 7:00 p.m. Forum #2: Shoreline Issues

The following have been identified by the community as major issues related to the SMP update: buffers and non-conformance; vegetation; public access; and bulkheads. Other issues may be added following the first forum. A panel of specialists in each of these topics will discuss what is required by the Shoreline Management Act and State shoreline guidelines, and what is proposed in Burien's draft SMP. Other presenters will address property owner concerns related to existing homes (resale values, ability to resell homes and insurance). Following the presentations, the audience is invited to participate in a facilitated question and answer session with the panelists and the Burien City Council.

Will the Public Forums Be Televised or Available Online?

Yes. The forums will be broadcast live on Burien Cable Channel 21, and streaming live and on video recording at <http://burienmedia.org>.

Where Can I Read the Draft SMP and related Documents?

The Burien City Council is reviewing the draft SMP recommended by the Planning Commission. The draft SMP and all related documents are available online at <http://www.burienwa.gov/index.aspx?nid=721>.

Can I Submit Questions In Advance?

Yes, we encourage submittal of advance questions so the panels can be better prepared for the forums. Please submit questions in writing to David Johanson, City of Burien Senior Planner, at the address above or via e-mail at davidj@burienwa.gov.

What Happens After The Forums?

The Burien City Council will consider all documents before them as well as information from the public forums before making a decision on the SMP this summer. Tentative dates for City Council discussion of the SMP are July 19 and August 2, 16 and 30. A public hearing may be scheduled for one of these dates. The City's Shoreline Master Program webpage will have current information about meeting dates and times. <http://www.burienwa.gov/index.aspx?nid=721>

For More Information

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